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New SAC Bylaws Proposed

By WILLIAM HELMER

The new constitution of the Social Activities Committee (SAC), providing for new election procedures and more clearly defined channels of communication between the committee, social tax payers, and the student governments, has been ratified by the Kirkland Assembly and will go before the Hamilton Senate Tuesday. The Assembly ratified the constitution with the stipulation that faculty members be allowed to buy social tax.

The new constitution specifies that the SAC is responsible only to those who pay the $35-dollar social tax and not to the community at large . The SAC will publish a monthly newsletter to publicize its plans and programs to all social tax payers. Also, all SAC meetings will be open and announced in advance.

The election of SAC members, formerly run by the Senate will now be managed by the committee itself. The new election procedures will ensure that at least six of the new members each year will have some experience with the workings of the committee.

Under the new guidelines, the SAC will consist of 10 voting members. Three students from each college will be elected by social tax holders in February, and will serve on the committee as active but non-voting members through the spring semester. The voting term of the six elected in February will begin in the summer and last until the following May. Thus, between February and May, there will be 16 SAC members — 10 voting members and six new, non-voting members.

One Assembly representative and one senator will be appointed before October by their respective organizations. In September, one student from each college will be selected by the SAC on the basis of petitions submitted to the committee during Activities Night.

All SAC members must pay social tax, although one need not be a social tax holder to run for

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W. Jackson "Tony" Woodin '65

Anderson Fires Woodin As Alumni Director

W. Jackson "Tony" Woodin '65, Hamilton director of alumni affairs, was fired by Vice President for Communications and Development, Joseph F. Anderson.

Several weeks earlier, Anderson dismissed Assistant Director of Public Relations Orville Goplen. Anderson is planning to hire alumni to fill both positions which will be open as of June 30.

"It was recommended to me that I call it quits," said Woodin, who was alumni director since August 1970. "That's a terminal job. Tony's been in there longer than anyone. We wish Tony well," said Anderson, explaining his latest personnel change.

Anderson said he does not expect any other changes in senior staff in the development office.

"We are not trying to tear this place apart. We are trying to make it stronger. Everything we are trying to do is positive," Anderson said, explaining the various changes he is making in his staff. He said that his appointment of John Mavrogenis, as associate director of development, will strengthen the office.

Woodin Shocked

Woodin, meanwhile, said that he never heard a word of dissatisfaction concerning his performance as alumni affairs director and that he planned to stay on the job for another two or three years.

"I did not expect that this would be a life-long job," said Woodin, who is now seeking a job in private industry.

Woodin also said he was shocked at his dismissal and that he does not know what plans Anderson has for the alumni office. Anderson said he foresees no changes in the responsibilities of the position.

The director of alumni affairs is responsible for the alumni council, personal communication to alumni, loan association meetings, campus and off-campus events involving alumni, and the Alumni Fund.

CAP to Review Hamilton Pass-Fail

By JOHN M. McNEEL

The Committee on Academic Policy (CAP) plans to investigate the success of the pass-fail option at Hamilton to determine whether the system is fulfilling its intended purpose, according to Professor of History Edwin B. Lee, chairman of the committee.

In a letter to Student Curriculum Committee (SCC) chairman Roger Schneider earlier this month, Lee explained that his committee would be examining the option "with an eye to the basic idea that pass-fail was to encourage students to broaden their education by taking work in areas which ordinarily might seem formidable...

"We should not want to continue a system which strayed very far from this purpose."

Student Proposal

Lee's letter came in response to an SCC proposal that the number of pass-fail options at Hamilton be increased from four to seven. The CAP rejected the student proposal pending the outcome of the pass-fail investigation and the completion of the first Winter Term with next year's new curriculum.

Until the CAP has more information, it does not plan to decide whether the pass-fail option should be increased, decreased or abandoned altogether.

Lee maintained this week that the committee's final decision will be partially based on its interpretation of the role of the pass-fail option in relation to the new "Winter Term."

CAP Members 'Chagrined'

He said that members of the CAP had expressed chagrin at a paragraph in the student proposal that suggested that "by eliminating Winter Study projects (which are now graded pass, fail or honors) and by substituting (graded) courses,...this results in a de facto reduction of pass-fail options from eight to four."

"We do not want to do anything to suggest that Winter Term courses are any different from courses in the fall and spring," said Lee. "We would be very concerned if a pattern of Winter Term pass-fail electives developed."

The CAP reply to the student proposal said that the committee feared that an expansion of the pass-fail option would encourage use of the option for the Winter Term, suggesting that the courses were less important than fall or spring semester courses.

At the same time, Lee wrote that the change in the graduation requirements from 36 to 35 courses in the new curriculum "granted another option which 'loosens' the academic crunch a good bit."

Increase Potentially Harmful

Lee said that he feared that an increase in the number of pass-fail options as the SCC suggested could be potentially harmful to both students and the institution.

"As soon as we say that one fifth of the student's courses can be taken pass-fail, then we have drastically altered the standards of the institution." Lee said. Additionally, Lee said that graduate schools tend to frown on a large number of pass-fail options on student transcripts. .

Although he said that elimination of the option would not harm the college, he said, "I do not believe we should eliminate this area of flexibility if we find that students are exercising prudence in their use of the pass-fail option, and I believe this will be confirmed."

Faculty Mandate

The CAP investigation, which is to be repeated periodically—it has been done once before—is the result of a mandate from the faculty that requires the CAP to keep constant surveillance over the pass-fail option.

Later this spring, Lee will analyze pass-fail records from the Registrar's Office to quantify how extensively the option has been used, by which classes and for which courses, in an effort to determine any patterns of use of the option.

Lee said the CAP would keep the student committee informed on the data and on the committee's thoughts on pass-fail.

"No major overhaul will be considered without first soliciting student advice," said Lee.

Kirkland Gets Corporate Money

By WENDY PASHMAN

"Good use of resources has saved Kirkland" said Sheila Muccio, Vice-President for Development when asked about the financial situation of the college. Muccio said that the country's economic situation is so mixed that no one can say how it will affect contributions.

"There's a certain time lag so that if the economy doesn't take a turn we might feel the difference" stated Muccio.

Since she took office six months ago, Muccio explained that her strategy has been to emphasize corporate contributions. She pointed out that this is a necessity since the "newness" of Kirkland does not permit the largest percentage to come from alumni who are a traditional source at other institutions. Kirkland appeals mostly to national corporations she explained. According to Muccio, the corporations are a valuable source because each corporation generally gives approximately $1,000 and can be relied on each year.

Corporations' Gifts

She stated that corporations feel "a great responsibility to support higher education" and that her job is to show them that Kirkland is serving a need. Muccio said that it was "good from a public relations point of view" for corporations to contribute. The corporations hope to recruit graduates with a strong liberal arts background and their gift is an advertisement, she said.

Muccio said that she noticed no sexist discrimination on the part of the corporations against giving to a woman's college. Rather she felt that there was a "great deal of creativity in the business community" which would be an impetus to giving to a woman's college.

"We're in a waffling situation since there's an increased awareness for some, and others are in the Stone Age," Muccio said.

'Keep the Balls Rolling'

Muccio said that she has yet to formulate any well defined new plans. She explained that she's "trying to learn the job and keep the current balls rolling and there's a tremendous effort in doing these two jobs."

She plans to raise the remaining $74,000 left of the $450,000 for which she is responsible to raise this fiscal year in gifts for current purposes. She expects to do this by resoliciting parents, alumni, and large donors.

This summer Muccio intends to analyze the individual gifts and discover trends in giving. In the future Muccio would like to take alumni or students with her when she travels to solicit funds. She stated that alumni would be especially helpful since the potential donor could see the "finished product."

D.U. Greeks go Egyptian with a snow sphinx.

EDITORIAL

'Dessert' Money

The cost of the poetry reading last night by Marie Harris, coordinator of the Poetry in the Schools Program in New Hampshire, was underwritten with $300 of the Dessert at the Plaza literary magazine budget. Although the value of public poetry readings is not to be questioned here, it seems an ill-advised policy for the Publications Board and the magazine to use students publications fees for any purpose other than funding a student publications, especially when there is an obvious interest in writing and student publishing on campus.

The annual publications fee of $15 per student is the only funding available for student publications while money is available from a number of administrative sources at both colleges to pay for lectures and readings here. It would seem, then, that money regularly allotted for lectures and not student fees should be used to pay the cost of poetry readings.

Dessert at the Plaza (formerly Watermark), as the formal literary magazine on campus, was funded with $4,500 for 1974-75. It has only recently contracted to publish its first issue, to be distributed this month, at an approximate cost of $1,400, and there are plans to publish only one more issue later this semester. The budget provided for three such issues. Despite the fact that the cost of the poetry reading was easily absorbed by the magazine, it is the responsibility of the editors to produce a magazine, an outlet for student writing, and not to produce poetry readings.

Public Fantasies stands as proof that here is neither a dearth of writing nor a lack of need for fund to publish that writing. Founded in October and not included in the original Publications Board budget, it was underwritten with $300 from the Board's general fund. It has published several times, having received a considerable response from student writers who wish to publish in a modest, unedited forum.

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Letters to the Editor

A Bitter Pill to Swallow

To the Editor:

I would like to comment on a number of remarks which appeared in your last issue regarding Dean Kinnel's attitude and handling of his duties in overseeing the pre-medical program at Hamilton. I believe that I speak from a position of knowledge on the subject of the Dean's performance, based on my own personal experience with the man in my present quest to gain admittance to medical school.

On this basis, I strongly believe that the intimation made by unidentified parties and by your editorial that the job of Pre-Medical Advisor might be more efficiently, competently, and seriously handled by another is totally unjustified. Regarding my own case, I can honestly say that the Dean has taken an active and concerned interest in each phase of my application process. I have spent long hours discussing with him how every detail of this procedure might most effectively be handled and have, on occasion, discussed with him the pre-medical situation in general. Based on these discussions, I have developed a great deal of admiration and nothing but the highest respect for the man, in both a personal and professional capacity. His integrity is impeccable; his approach direct and honest; his commitment to his responsibilities total and beyond reproach. In short, regardless of the ultimate outcome of my own application process, I am convinced that Dean Kinnel has left no stones unturned in assisting me in the agonizing process which I am presently going through.

Friends of mine who are also applying to medical schools at the moment have repeatedly expressed their appreciation for the Dean's personal interest in their cases, his generous assistance to them in seeking out potential alternatives to a career in medicine, and his use of personal and alumni contacts at certain schools in support of individual Hamilton applicants.

Something which Hamilton students are not generally aware of is the Dean's extensive efforts on behalf of building a network of alumni physicians who are on medical school staffs and who could assist the Dean by calling to the attention of Admissions Committees promising Hamilton applicants. Furthermore, Dean Kinnel has traveled to numerous schools to meet with admissions officers, explaining Hamilton's educational program and our grading standards. I have little doubt that some of the acceptances received during the past two years can be directly attrubuted to such efforts on his part.

I have raised serious questions in the recent past regarding other facets of the pre-medical situation; I have done so with the intention of making the faculty and administration aware of and concerned about issues which must be resolved if this College is to survive and its student body is to remain reasonably satisfied. But I do not believe, from my own experience, that any blame can be placed on Dean Kinnel.

Roger E. Schneider, '75

Pre-Med Advising

To the Editor:

I appreciated the kind words about my contribution to pre-law advisement and law school admission in last week's Spectator. In fairness to Robin Kinnel, however, it should be noted that competition for admission to law and medical schools is somewhat dissimilar.

There are two applicants for every law school seat and three applicants for every medical school seat. Thus, the likelihood of disappointment is twice as great for the aspiring physician as for the future counselor.

James F. Traer
Assistant Professor of History

One that Got In

To the Editor:

As one of those "lucky" pre-meds who has been accepted to a medical school, I feel obliged to write this letter for several reasons. First, I cannot be accused of sour grapes since I have been accepted. Second, I have had much experience dealing not only with the people directly responsible for the present situation at Hamilton, but also with medical school admissions officers.

Much of the complex pre-medical problems are caused by unique attitudes found here at Hamilton. The first misplaced attitude it that Hamilton is sacred or even special. Dean Kinnel's visits to medical schools have spread Hamilton's name. At several interviews (Rochester, NYU, Georgetown, Albany) admissions officers vividly recalled Kinnel's visit. But it is folly to think that any impression the Dean can make will significantly alter the chances for acceptance. Medical schools simply want superior candidates from solid schools. There is no reason to believe that any prerequisite course at Hamilton is any better than the same course taught elsewhere. Students everywhere simply learn as much as they can in a short period of time. Many good schools are turning out superior graduates (at least on paper).

A second attitude is held by the members of the faculty. Basically, the motivation and integrity of the student is questioned. Professor Chiquoine's statement says it all when he told me, "The problem with my grading is not that I give too few A's, but that I give too many D's."

A third attitude is that Hamilton, like most undergraduate schools, is evaluating students' work accurately and fairly. This is just not so. It has long been known (especially to Biology majors) that to get good grades meant much work and more luck. Important fine shades of difference in work, A-, B+, B, become ludicrously obliterated by the capriciousness of the professor.

The philosophies that low grades indicate a good education, or that simply inflating grades will help much are wrong. Competition is so still now at medical schools, that I assume that no matter how good any Hamilton student can appear, there are a dozen candidates from other schools who will be equally qualified for every available space at medical school. What needs to be drastically changed are not only the types of grades given but also how they are determined. The games played simply must stop.

Extensive full-time public relations work and such programs as hospital internships for Winter Study would undoubtedly alleviate the pre-med disaster here. But it is not part of the liberal arts policy to be a stepping-stone to medial school. Two years ago I told then newly appointed Dean Kinnel that Hamilton was doing nothing special for me as a pre-med. As far as getting into medical school was concerned, I could do just as well from any other undergraduate institution. The Dean simply smiled and said, "Yes, you are right." Perhaps the Dean's prophetic words should be spread. Hamilton is not a good place for pre-meds.

Scott W. Bronstein, '75

Dinner for Two

To the Editor:

Much coordination has occurred between Hamilton and Kirkland within the past few years; there is undeniably a sizable number of people who cross the road to take courses. We are coming closer to Kirkland's intended "raison d'etre" as a coordinate college to complement and strengthen Hamilton educationally and socially.

Since a number of students rely on their coordinate school for courses in their major, a senior dinner might include faculty and students from both colleges. Unfortunately, this is not the tradition on the Hill.

Thus far, the Hamilton Administration has maintained that the only appropriate celebration for four years together in academia should be a standard Friday night community Beer and Band – except that for this very special occasion it will be held on a weeknight. We feel that this should be subject to a student vote, and perhaps some other sort of celebration could be arranged.

Laura Fredericks '75
Barbara Chalpin '75
Carol Cohen '75

And One More Thing

To the Editor:

I am sure John Navarre's editorial did not mean to imply that Orville Goplen's dismissal is a good thing for the college. Mr. Goplen is a fine man and a dedicated servant to the college.

Peter W. Sluys

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ACTORS FOR THE 'BACCHAE'

Professor Barrett and the Classics Department are planning a staged reading of Euripides tragedy, the 'Bacchae'. Anyone interested in acting in the production should contact Professor Warrior, Joel Fredell or Duncan Stalker through campus mail. Only the two weeks immediately following spring vacation will be required for rehearsal and production.

PURIM PARTY

The Jewish Students' Group of Hamilton and Kirkland are sponsoring a party to celebrate Purim, Monday, Feb. 24, at 8:00 p.m. in the Fisher Room of Bristol Campus Center. Everyone is invited and are encouraged to come in costumes. There will be wine, hamenta schen, and greggors (noise-makers).

WASHINGTON SEMESTER 1976

Hamilton and Kirkland students who will be juniors or seniors next year who are interested in the Hamilton Semester in Washington Program are invited to an open meeting in the Fisher Room of the Bristol Campus Center Wednesday, Feb. 26, 7:00 p.m. Information and application forms will be available at that time.

FREE SCHOOL PRE-SCHOOL

A Free School Pre-School will be offered for 3-6 year-olds and will include nature-oriented arts, crafts, songs, and games. Anyone interested in enrolling their children or in helping out with the implementation of the pre-school should contact Bob Pelz 853-8015, or Julie Sudarsky 859-4254.

ARTS STUDENTS CAUCUS

If you are enrolled in an Arts Division course at Kirkland, then you are a voting member of the Arts Student Caucus, (ASC). Please come to a general meeting to elect board members and adopt the constitution. Wednesday, Feb. 26, 6:00 p.m., in the Red Pit. If you have any questions, call Barbara Lapidus, x7345, or Miriam Hack, x4946.

SAC ELECTIONS

Any student wishing to serve on the Social Activities Committee (SAC) must submit a platform of less than 100 words to The Spectator (third floor Bristol) by 7 p.m. Wednesday.

Paddle Courts Delayed

BY MARY BARSTOW

The two platform tennis courts recently built behind B dorm at Kirkland College cannot be used because of technical problems with the contractor, Said William Jamison, Director of Institutional Affairs, and Arthur Jewett, Assistant Director at the Physical Plant.

Jewett said that there is a "punch list" of incomplete or wrong items which the contractor, R. J. Reilley, Inc., of Danbury, Connecticut, must complete or fix before the courts can be accepted. These problems are relatively small, Jewett said, and include adjustments in wiring, painting on lines, starting up the equipment, and other construction and specification corrections.

Jewett said that a February 11 meeting to review this list had been agreed upon, but that the contractor had failed to attend. Another date, February 20, has been tentatively set, but Jewett said they are still awaiting confirmation of this date by the Reilley corporation.

"We are at a stalemate," said Jamison, adding that Kirkland will not pay for the courts until the contractor complies.

Samuel F. Babbitt, President of Kirkland, said that Eugenie A. Havermeyer, a Kirkland trustee, offered to provide one quarter of the necessary funds for the courts. Two other trustees will jointly contribute another quarter and Kirkland will match these gifts.

According to Babbitt, Havermeyer stipulated that the courts be completed by the beginning of the 1974-75 school year. This deadline has since been extended, said Babbitt.

Come Saturday Morning

Joe and Katie Party

BY POOKIE ADAMS

(When we saw them last, Joe Jock, a star player on both the football and hockey teams, and Katie Kirkie, with a double major in ceramics and basket-weaving, were on a blind date. They soon discovered that they had several things in common: they liked whiskey sours, home-baked bread, hockey; and each other.)

Thursday, p.m.

Knock knock. "Come in! Oh, hi, Joe!"

"Uh, hi, Kate. How come you're studying? This is Houseparty Weekend! Come on, I'll take you to the Pub."

"Oh, wow Joe, that sounds far out. But first I have to go to the Coffee House. I promised Angie I'd sample the honey wheat bread she's selling there."

"Uh, okay. Get your coat and let's go."

"Wow, I'm so glad you came over, Joe. I have to talk to you..."

"Uh, Kate, I've got something to tell you...Oh, I'm sorry, I didn't mean to interrupt. What were you gonna say?"

"That's alright, Joe. You tell me first."

"Uh, okay. Uh, Kate, I'm really sorry about this, but I, uh, I've got a date for the weekend. This chick from home. I'm really sorry."

"Oh, Joe, I'm so relieved! A friend of mine who just got back from Colorado is coming up this weekend. I was afraid you'd be angry."

"Who, me? Naah."

Friday, p.m.

"Well, Harry, this is the Chapel. I think the concert will be really good, don't you?"

"Yea, far out, Katie. Hey who's that guy over there who's waving at you?"

"Oh, that's a friend of mine. Come on, I'll introduce you...Joe Jock, this is Harry Heavy, the friend I was telling you about."

"Hi, Harry. Uh, Kate and Harry, this is Suzy Skids."

"Hi, Suzy. Oh, wow, there's room on your bench. Why don't we all sit together?"

"Sure. Uh, Kate said you'd been in Colorado, Harry. What were you doing?"

"I was gettin' my shit together, Joe. You know, things just got too heavy with school and everything. I had to get away."

"I went skiing in Colorado over Christmas. It's a great place, isn't it, Harry?"

"Yea, I really dug it, Suzy."

"Uh, what are you gonna do now, Harry?"

"I'm goin' to Bennington starting in the summer, Joe. Until then, I'm just goin' to bum around and visit my friends."

"Hey, you guys, be quiet! The concert's starting!"

"Okay, Kate."

Saturday, p.m.

"Wow, it sure was nice of Joe's roommate Bill to invite us to this cocktail party, wasn't it, Harry? Oh, look, there's Joe and Suzy."

"Outasight."

"Uh, hi, Kate. Hi, Harry." "Oh, Harry, I'm so glad you're here! I want you to tell me all about Colorado!"

"Far out, Suzy. Why don't we go sit down? Excuse us, Katie and Joe."

"Uh, sure. Our friends sure seem to hit it off, huh Kate?"

"Wow, they sure do, Joe. I'm so glad they like each other."

Sunday afternoon.

"Uh, here, Kate. Have another gin and juice."

"Thanks, Joe, I will."

"Hey, have you seen Suzy? She was just here a minute ago."

"I think she must be talking to Harry, Joe. He's disappeared too." "There's Harry. Hey, Harry! Where's Suzy?"

"She's sick, Joe. I'm goin' to take her home."

"Oh, yea? What's the matter with her?"

"Too much party. See you later, Katie. So long, Joe." "Yea, so long. Well, there they go. They sure got friendly fast."

"They have a lot in common, Joe."

"Yea, I guess. Well, there's no reason why we have to leave. Wanna dance, Kate?"

"I was hoping you'd ask. Let's hurry—the band's starting."

Surchin for Food

Clinton House

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By ANNE SURCHIN

A restaurant connoisseur once told me to beware of establishments with red tablecloths under white, paper place mats, red checked tablecloths and celery not thoroughly cleaned. Clinton House, with red tablecloths and white place mats, specializes in what can best be described as pseudo Italian cuisine.

A somewhat limited and unimpressive choice of appetizers includes hot antipasto, baked clams casino, scampi alla scarmarda and a shrimp cocktail listed at $.50 per shrimp.

A pasta dinner comes with tossed salad, garlic bread and meatball or sausage. The pasta selection, ranging in price from $2.50-$4.50, features lasagne, macaroni, clams alla marinara, homemade stuffed shells, ravioli and Fettucine Alfredo.

The hot garlic bread was truly a travesty. Made without real garlic it came out of the oven burnt and crunchy instead of crisp. Rather than brushing garlic butter on the inside of the loaf it was poured over the outside (a real mess to handle). If discretion had been used at all, the creator would have at least permitted the garlic powder to dissolve in the butter before pouring it over the bread.

The entrees were, at best, mediocre. The filetto alla scaloppine ($4.25) steak saute with mushrooms and peppers in a wine sauce, was rather sad. One had to journey on a fishing expedition in a sea of sauce to catch several thinly sliced pieces of meat with a few fresh mushrooms and peppers. While the flavor of this dish was pleasant, the consistency of an extremely oily sauce made it somewhat oppressive.

The Vitello Costiletto Milanese ($5.50), veal cutlet, scallions and chives in a marinara sauce, resembled veal parmigiana. Three tiny pieces of veal were served in an agreeable sauce. Again much too much sauce appeared on the plate in proportion to the quantity of veal. Onions outnumbered scallions and the chives were nowhere to be found. For $3.00 it could be called a good dish, but at $5.50 it's just a rip-off.

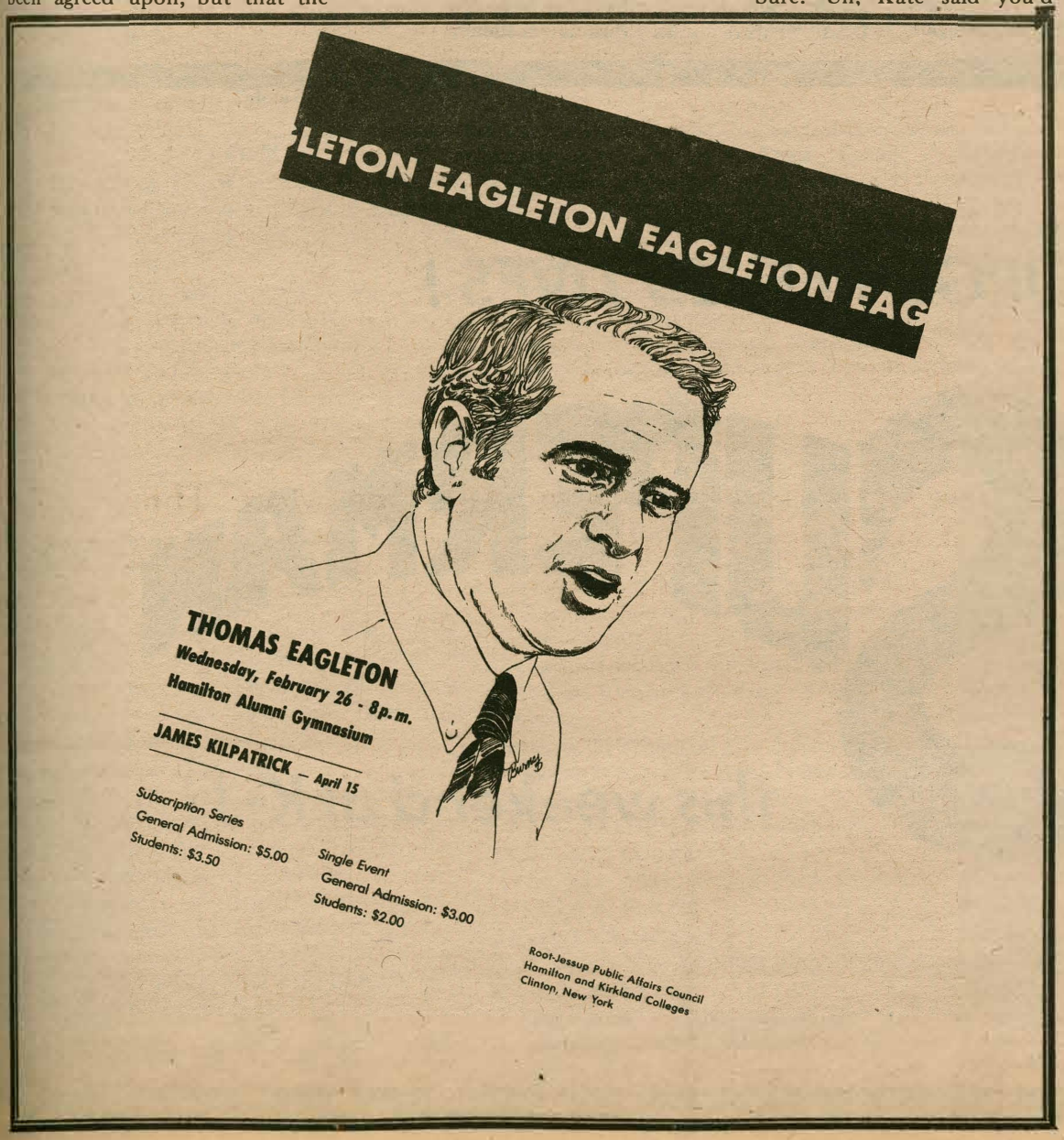
The other entrees on the menu, mostly veal and beef, cost between $4.25 for veal cutlet with lemon and anchovies to $7.25 for strip steak. Veal cutlets or beef with eggplant, cheese, mushrooms or prosciutto also dress up the menu. Clinton House has standard dessers such as tortoni, spumoni and a creme de menthe parfait.

The restaurant is decorated with imitation wood paneling and imitation cut glass light panels in the ceiling. Flowered, vinyl booths along the wall and tables in the center of the room are separate from an enclosed bar.

The food at Clinton House deserves two stars but in relation to what one receives for the price paid the restaurant merits a star and a half. The quiet atmosphere at Clinton House is conducive to a leisurely dinner providing that one has the pocketbook and a not too discriminating palate.

Clinton House is located on Meadow Street in the Clinton shopping center.

The restaurants reviewed in this column are rated five stars to none. Service, cuisine, price and atmosphere determine the rating the restaurant will receive. One star signifies edible, two mediocre, three good, four very good and five excellent.



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Troubled Film Societies Face Newcomer

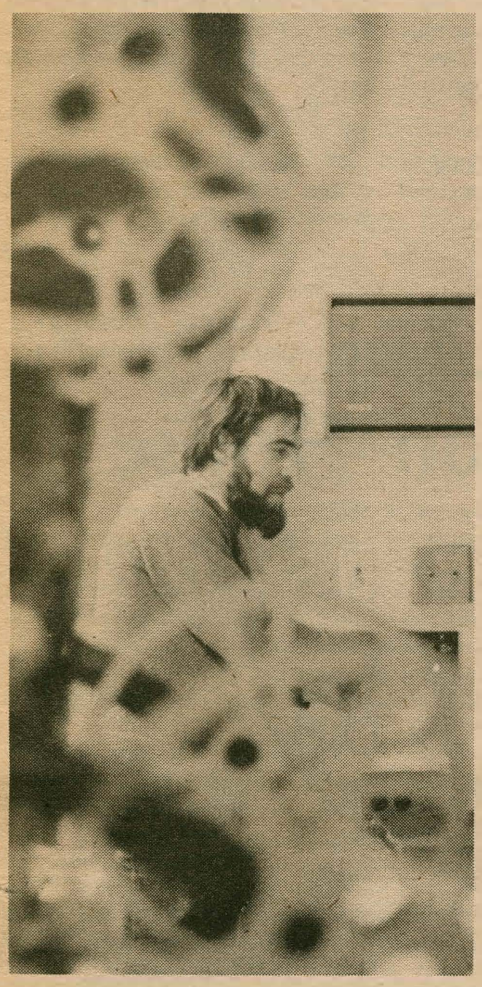
By Peter Sommer

Ernest Fung '76, has resigned as chairman of the Amenic Film Society and will form a new subscription film society. Fung said that Amenic was suffering from financial problems and a very loose organizational structure.

Amenic has no constitution and is not chartered by the Senate. According to Fung, the society is independent of the school and could be viewed as an independent business form whose financial structure is based on a system of trust.

"The legal status of the society isn't clear," he said. "A case could be made for the position that whenever we make money, we can divide the profit."

"The film people before us told us we had a balance, but when we checked with



the business office, we had a deficit. This is another big mess," said Fung.

Suspicions

He said some people suspect that this "huge deficit" is due to corruption on the part of former Amenic members, who may have taken money from the society. However, everyone interviewed emphasized that this was no more than a suspicion and nothing can be proven.

Daniel Becker '77 said that at film showings, "It happens not infrequently that many people are told they don't have to pay." Fung added that only the person holding the money knows how much is collected.

"As long as you have activities going on, the college doesn't bother you," Fung said. "If someone is asked to make a financial report, he just makes up a figure." Under the present structure, Fung said, "honesty is the only cure."

Because Amenic does not have a constitution, there is no established procedure for choosing new members. Last semester's four members were chosen by three different methods.

Member Selection

As freshmen, Barry Kreiswirth '76 and Fung were asked to submit a list of films to the members of Amenic. They were selected as members of the committee on the basis of their selections. Beth Cohen '75 who also submitted a list of films was not chosen for the committee, but is presently a member. The remaining member, Robert Dolan '78 was enlisted on Student Activities Night at Bristol. "I chose him myself," said Fung.

According to Fung, in the past one was chosen as a member of the committee, "if he was a friend, or through some ambiguous process. Nobody knows how the members of the committee are actually chosen."

"The survival of Amenic depends on the make-up of the committee: whether they can tolerate each other or not." Fung said that Amenic's loose structure allows it to be monopolized by one or two individuals.

The absence of a constitution for the society also affects the selection of films. "There is no fixed way to deal with film selection," said Fung.

Last semester Fung was in charge of film selection. He called the members together to participate in the proposal-elimination process. They placed proposals in three categories—selected films, those yet to be decided upon, and those rejected. No formal vote was ever taken, but there were never any objections to the final film selection.

A Pseudo-Democracy

Fung said that he did make some manipulations and "pushed some [films] through." "The only reason we had a pseudo-democratic process was that we had two strong personalities [Fung and Kreiswirth]."

"As for this semester," said Fung, "I think he [Kreiswirth] arranged everything. As far as I know, he alone made the whole schedule."

However, financial and structural problems are not peculiar to Amenic.

John Hutchinson, a projectionist for Kinokunst, said that a great deal of money was also misplaced in that society. Also, for the first three month of last semester, Kinokunst was run by Bill Pranchak, who was not enrolled at Hamilton. When the college discovered this, Pranchak was replaced by Michael Barlow, '74 the present chairman.

Fung, Becker, Hutchinson, and Terry Burke '78 are establishing the Hill's third film society which will consist of a rotating film-selection committee of four to eight individuals and a body-at-large of 100-200 subscribers. The new society will attempt to become chartered by the Senate.

The New Society

The society will be a film critics group and will issue a simple publication every month. It will offer eight films per semester. For $3-$4 one could see any or all of the films. Membership in the society would entitle one to the society publication as well as the film discount.

The society will be run as a participatory democracy. All those who wish to participate in the film selection process must aid in producing the society publication.

The selection-publication committee will choose four films, and then relinquish

their responsibilities to another group. The committee membership will thus be constantly rotating.

"The crucial point to keep in mind," said Fung, "is that we really want to change the nature of the film society—a real film society, one that would promote dialogue."

In addition to promotion communication among the audience, the society publication would provide information on all local film activity. "There are a lot of films in the area that we just do not know about," said Fung.

Opportunities

Burke added that there were many opportunities open to the new society, including possible joint efforts with Utica College's film society, which has a large budget and frequently sponsors discussions. Fung would also like to show special interest. non subscription films as a joint venture with various academic departments, expecially the language departments. "It's a more flexible society," said Fung.

"We'd like to start the whole thing as soon as possible," said Becker. "The first step will be to introduce the collegepopulation to what we are planning to do." Then they will petition the Senate for $200 and the Assembly for $200. "Then if 200 people would subscribe, we would be all set," Becker said.

"It is a much healthier structure," said Fung. "It would open up a lot more opportunities and would attract the interest of people who were interested in films, not just entertainment." Becker said, "It's a rist, but a limited risk."

"The beauty of the whole thing," said Fung, " is if it isn't feasible, we can adjust along the way. It we can attract a hard core of interested students, everything will follow."

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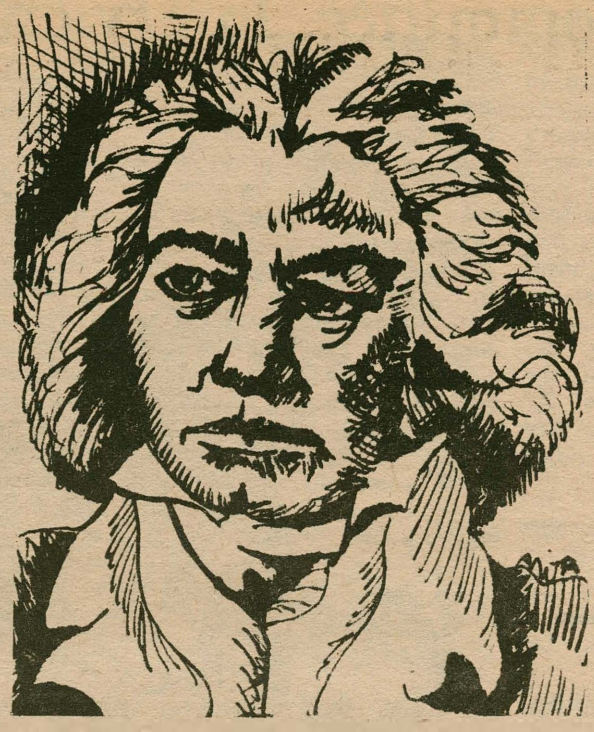


CONCERTS

Much of the music played in concerts this semester will emenate from the college's new Noack Organ presently being installed in the rear of the Chapel. The funds for the organ were gifts given in memory of the late Professor of Music at Hamilton, Berrian Rankin Shute. Professor Rankin came to the college in 1926 and was the founder of the Hamilton Music Department. He died in 1961 after 35 years of service to the college.

The organ is of the classis style. It combines a German classical sound with classical French which makes is a very versatile instrument.

In honor of the new organ a series of accomplished organists will perform during the course of the semester. The first will be Gerre Hancock, the organist and master of the choristers at the St. Thomas Church in New York, who will play February 25. Hancock, who graduated from the University of Texas and holds a Master of Sacred Music degree, will perform a mostly-Bach program and improvise on submitted themes.

Melvin Butler and Joan Lippincott will also perform in the series. On May 9 Hamilton patron and organsit Lee H. Bristol Jr. '45 will play a special recital for his alma mater in the formal dedication ceremony.

The Paul Kuentz Chamber Orchestra of Paris returns to the Hamilton-Kirkland campus after a one year absence for concerts on March 5 and March 7. The orchestra is making its twelfth appearence on the hill.

This widely-acclaimed fifteen piece ensemble will feature works of Mozart and other, lesser-known composers in its opening concert. Two days later the group, which won the French recording industry's Grand Prix du Disque, will join with the Hamilton- Kirkland Choir and The College Hill Singers in a special concert.

As always Hamilton and Kirkland students will give a number of concerts during the semester. A series of senior rectitals featuring individual student-artists will be presented, though exact programs have not yet been announced. Graduating seniors will cap off the year with a performance of "Music at Hamilton," on the final day of May.

February

25 Gerre Hancock, organist and master of the choristers, St. Thomas Church, New York. Program: Johann Sebastian Bach. Tuesday, 8:30 p.m., Chapel.

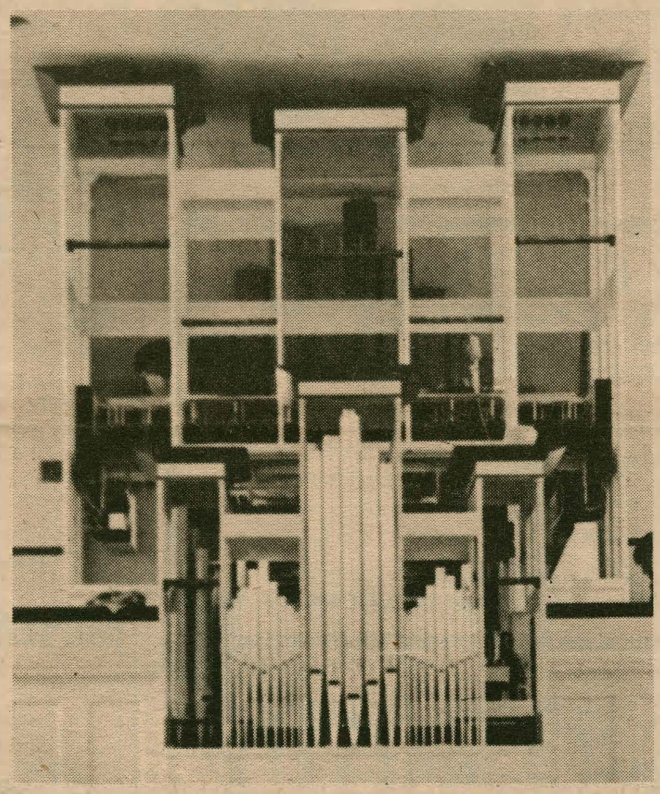
March

5 The Paul Kuentz Chamber Orchestra of Paris. Program: works by Barsanti, Jolivet, Leclair, Mozart, and Mouret. Admission: $2.50 non-students, $1.50 students. Wednesday, 8:30 p.m., Alumni Gym.

7 Twelfth Anniversary Concert, Hamilton-Kirkland Choir, The College Hill Singers and the Paul Kuentz Chamber Orchestra. Program: Bach: Cnatata No. 140 "Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme," and Haydn: "Missa in angustiis" (Lord Nelson Mass). Friday, 8:30 p.m., Alumni Gym.

11 Senior Recital, David Kulle, baritone. Tuesday, 8:30 p.m., Chapel.

14 An Operatic Evening. Hamilton and Kirkland vocal students. Program: Telemann: Pimpinone, and Mozart: Magic Flute (in English). Friday and Saturday, 8:00 p.m., Chapel.



16 The Amici Quartet. Program: works by Boccherini Crumb, and Beethoven. Sunday, 8:30 p.m., Chapel.

18 Student Concert. Tuesday, 8:30 p.m., Chapel.

April

8 Melvin Butler, organist and choirmaster, Downtown United Presbyterian Church, Rochester, N.Y. Tuesday, 8:30 p.m., Chapel.

12 The Annual Home Concert of the Tour Repertoire. Hamilton-Kirkland Choir, The College Hill Singers, The Buffers, and the Hamilton-Kirkland Brass Choir. Saturday, 8:30 p.m., Alumni Gym.

17 Visiting Choir Concert. Admission $1.00 non-students, $.50 students. The University Singers from the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music. Proceeds from the concert will benefit the Hamilton-Kirkland Choir European Tour Scholarship Fund. Thursday, 8:30, Alumni Gym.

21 "An Evening of Ragtime." William Albright, composer, organist and pianist. Admission: $1.00 non-students, $.50 students. Monday, 8:30 p.m., Chapel.

22 "Contemporary American Keyboard Music." William Albright. Tuesday, 8:30 p.m., Chapel.

27 Amici Quartet. Program: works by Mozart, Dvorak, and Carter. Sunday, 3:00 p.m., Chapel.

30 Joan Lippincott, professor of organ at Westminster Choir College. Wednesday, 8:30 p.m., Chapel.

May

6 Student Concert. Tuesday, 8:30 p.m., Chapel.

9 "Alternate Tuning Systems in the Eighteenth Century." Fritzz Noack, president of the Noack Organ Company. Friday, 4:00 p.m., Root Art Center.

9 Dedication of the Berrian R. Shute Memorial Organ. Lee H. Bristol, Jr., guest recitalist. Friday, 8:30 p.m. Chapel.

10 A Concert by the Hamilton-Kirkland Choir and The College Hill Singers. Kathleen Battle, soprano: Thomas Sherwood, baritone. Program: Brahms: Ein deutsches Requiem. Saturday, 8:30 p.m., Chapel.

31 "Music at Hamilton," performances by graduating seniors. Saturday evening, Chapel.

events

FILM

On Campus This Weekend starring George Reeves. Friday and Saturday at 8:00 p.m. Sunday at 10:00 p.m. Kirner-Johnson Auditorium

Wild One and *Scorpio Rising*. Friday and Saturday at 8:00 p.m. Sunday at 10:00 p.m. Science Auditorium.

February 24 (Monday)

Woman of the Year starring Katherine Hepburn. 10:00 p.m. Kirner-Johnson Auditorium. (Also Tuesday)

February 25 (Tuesday)

Government Department Film Series: *The Making of The President-1960* 4:00 and 8:00 p.m. Chemistry Auditorium. Anthropology Film: *The Nuer* 7:30 p.m. Science Auditorium.

February 27 (Thursday)

Comedy Film Festival: *Coconuts, Horsefeathers*, W.C. Fields Shorts, *No Census, No Feelings*. 8:00 p.m. Kirner-Johnson Auditorium.

Memories of Underdevelopment. 8:00 p.m. Chemistry Auditorium.

LECTURE AND DISCUSSION

February 24 (Monday)

Lecture: Professor Norton Starr, Amherst College. *Computer Graphics*. 7:30 p.m. Science Auditorium.

Lecture: Professor Rand Carter. *Japanese Influences on Western Art*. 8:00 p.m. Root Art Center. Refreshments following.

February 26 (Wednesday)

Root-Jessup Lecture: Senator Thomas Eagleton. *Liberalism and Practical Politics — The Two are Compatible*. 8:00 p.m. Alumni Gymnasium

MUSIC

February 21 (Friday)

Student Activities Concert. Steve Goodman and Loudon Wainwright III. 8:00 and 10:30 p.m. Chapel.

February 25 (Tuesday)

Organ Recital by Gerre Hancock, Organist and Master of the Choir, St. Thomas Church, New York City. 8:30 p.m. Chapel.

Concert: Cornelia Brewster, Flute and Ursula Kwasnicka, Harp. 8:30 p.m. Chapel.

February 24 (Monday)

Purim Party. 7:30 p.m. Fisher Room, Bristol. Costumes please.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

February 22 (Saturday)

Newman Mass. Father Paul Drobin. 5:30 p.m. Red Pit.

February 23 (Sunday)

Newman Mass. Father Paul Drobin. 9:30 a.m. Chapel.

Free Church of Clinton. Joel Tibbetts, College Chaplain. 11:00 a.m. Chapel.

February 24 (Monday)

Lenten Communion Service. Rev. W.H. Wickham III, St. James Church, Clinton. 4:30 p.m. Bristol Campus Center Fisher Room.

Christian Fellowship Meeting. 8:00 p.m. Milbank 36

February 26 (Wednesday)

Newman Mass. Father Paul Drobin. 4:45 p.m. Chapel.

February 27 (Thursday)

Christian Science College Organization. 4:05 p.m. Bristol Campus Center Backus Room.

DRAMA

February 21 (Friday)

Charlatans Production of One-Act Plays. 9:00 p.m. Minor Theater. (Also Saturday and Sunday)

EXHIBITION

Currently on Campus

Afro-Images. Paintings by Jack White. (Closes March 8.)

February 24 (Monday)

Exhibition Opening: *Ukiyo-e: Japanese Prints of the Tokugawa Period*. 8:00 p.m. Root Art Center. (Closes March 21)

AT NEARBY THEATRES

Cannonball (853-5553) *The Sound of Music* (G)

Cinema Theater-New Hartford (736-0081) *Murder on the Orient Express* (PG)

Cinema Theaters-Riverside Mall *Lenny* (R), *Young Frankenstein* (PG) *Towering Inferno* (PG)

Cinema National Uptown (732-0665) *The Strongest Man in the World*

Paris *(733-2730) Freebie and the Bean* (R)

258 Cinema (732-5461) *My Pleasure Is My Business* (R) *Blazing Saddles* (R) *Abby* (R)

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HOUSEPARTIES

February 21 (Friday)

Alpha Delta Phi-Sigma Phi, Beer and Band, at Sigma Phi, 9:00 p.m.-1:00 a.m., open to frat members only.

Teak, Beer and Band, 9:00 p.m.-1:00 a.m., open to frat members, Kirkland women, and invited guests.

Emerson Literary Society, Beer and Band, 11:30 p.m.-3:30 a.m., open to campus.

February 22 (Saturday)

Chi Psi, Gin and Juice, 10:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., open to frat members only.

Delta Upsilon, Beer and Band, 10:00 p.m.-2:00 a.m., open to frat members only.

Psi Upsilon, Beer and Band, 10:00 p.m.-2:00 a.m., open to frat members, independents $2.00.

February 23 (Sunday)

Delta Kappa Epsilon, Gin and Juice, 12:00 noon, open to campus.

Note:

Freshmen who have not turned in bid cards by Friday, at 4:00 p.m. are considered independents by the Inter-Fraternity Council.

Student Curriculum Committee Interviews Faculty Advisors

By WALTER KASS

In response to complaints lodged against the Hamilton faculty advising system for underclassmen at the Adler Conference last September, a subcommittee of the Student Curriculum Committee is now interviewing each faculty advisor in an effort to improve the system.

Subcommittee co-chairmen, Adam Eilenberg and Daniel Becker, and committee members have spoken to the faculty advisors on a one-to-one basis. In the interviews, each subcommittee member sought the advisor's thoughts concerning their views of the roles.

The members also tried to seek out any unconscious biases that any individual advisors might have, including biases against various courses at Hamilton or Kirkland. The interviews also provided an overview of the knowledge advisors have of the college community and how they apply that knowledge to aiding freshmen, according to Becker and Eilenberg.

Information Gained

The information gained from the interview, will be used to make the advisor more aware of his own perspective with advisees.

"At this time, not all of the interviews have been completed, therefore no conclusions can be drawn," said Eilenberg. However, both co-chairmen were willing to make general comments concerning the interviews. They noted the following in the advisors comments:

—advisors said they need more time with their advisees.

—advisors said they find it difficult to get Hamilton students to take a wide distribution of courses.

—the advisors expressed the need for more time between the groups of advisors called "troikas."

The troikas are groups of three professors which meet periodically to discuss the problems of each others' advisees. Dean Kinnel explained that in organizing the troikas he tries to balance their membership in both age and discipline.

According to Kinnel, the troika system allows discussion of academic problems from different perspectives.

Associate Dean of the College Robin Kinnel, chairman of the Board of Advisors, said he plans to review the subcommittee's final findings which are expected to be available in March. He said he also plans to review the findings with the other members of the Board of Advisors.

Dean Kinnel said his aim is to "sensitize" the advisors so they realize what the student will hear and how the student will interpret what he hears.

The subcommittee also plans to distribute a questionnaire to students concerning faculty advising of underclassmen. Kinnel, however, expressed some skepticism about such a survey, saying tnat it will be difficult to cull out honest complaints, griping, bland praise, and objective criticism.

Dean Robin Kinnel

SAC Constitution Revised

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election. This year, election platforms will be published in next week's issue of The Spectator, but in the future, the platforms will be printed in the SAC February newsletter. Those wishing to run for SAC membership this year must submit platforms of less than 100 words to The Spectator by 7 p.m. Wednesday.

The SAC has also formulated a social tax policy (see below) which states the absolute minimum a tax payer can expect the committee to provide.

Social tax is now $35, and SAC Co-chairman Martha Reiners said, "We don't intend to raise it."

Social Tax Policy

1. The Social Activities Committee sole responsibility is to provide entertainment for social tax holders.

2. The Social Activities Committee wished to make apparent the benefits of social tax. Therefore, with the exception of the Stephen Fensterer Memorial Folk Festival, the S.A.C. will only give money to events that charge admission to the general public and let social tax members in free. Other benefits include free admission to any S.A.C. sponsored event.

3. Social tax holders can expect: an orientation function, a concert, a Women's Center function, a House Partys function, a BPRU function, a Coffeehouse, a Folk Festival and Crafts Fair.

In addition, depending on the function and the budget (made up of the people who pay social tax) there will be 6 to 10 other functions.

Senator Eagleton To Speak

Senator Thomas Eagleton, veteran of an ill-fated and short-lived candidacy for U.S. Vice President in 1972, will speak on campus Thursday, Feb. 26.

Eagleton, a Democrat, was George McGovern's running mate for eighteen days in the summer of 1972 until uproar over his medical history forced him ot withdraw from the campaign.

Styling himself as a political "progressive," Eagleton's legislative interests have ranged from Civil Rights and the environment to Workmen's compensation and dangerous drugs.

More recently, the senator has directed his efforts toward limiting the President's power to start wars. He was almost alone among his fellow Democratic senators in opposing the 1973 War Powers Act, which would give the Chief Executive freedom to put armed forces in combat for any period up to 90 days without congressional approval.

Eagleton will speak Thursday on "Liberalism and Practical Politics—The Two are Compatible," at 8 p.m. in the Alumni Gymnasium.

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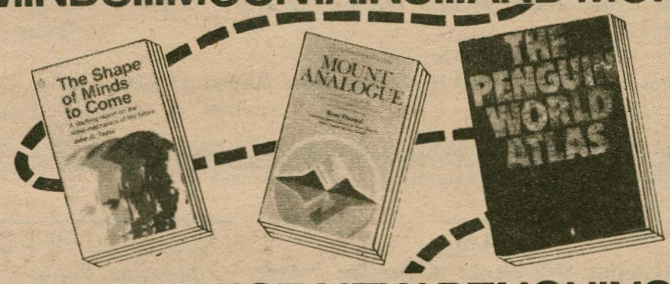

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Badger and Garcia Graduate with Honors

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Blue this season.

Hamilton toyed with Rochester, and built up a 13-point lead by the half. The Yellowjackets came back out in a UCLA-type press and succeeded in cutting the lead to five. But the Conts eventually solved this stratagem and hit the century mark with a full 3½ minutes remaining.

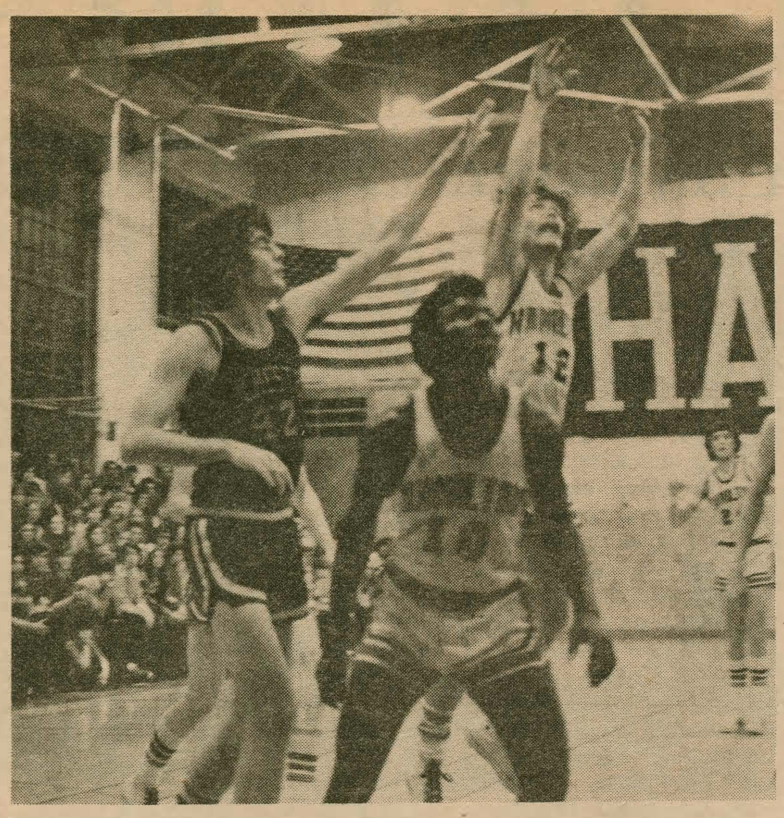
John Klauberg led the Blue assault with 26 points, many coming on twisting, acrobatic drives toward the hoop. Bernie Mucitelli was next with 18 points.

Farewell to Seniors

The Rochester contest also marked the last Home appearance for seniors Mark Badger and Pedro Garcia. In a moving halftime ceremony, Coach Murphy praised "Two guys who helped to turn our basketball program around."

Badger will hang up his sneakers as the second leading scorer in Hamilton history (1131 points to date). The pint-sized red-head also holds the Hill records for career, season, and game assists.

Co-Captain Garcia was the fifth leading foul shooter in the nation last year and owns the Continental record of 36 consecutive free throws. With regard to the half-time ceremony in which both seniors received



plaques commemorating their achievements, Garcia commented, "I was very surprised. I'm not sure that I deserved it, but it means something very important to me."

The Continentals departed this morning for a week-end road trip to Massachusetts, in which they contest Trinity today and Tufts tomorrow afternoon. The post-season play-off picture is still rather unsettled, with most contending teams having four or five games still to be played. Nevertheless, a Massachusetts sweep would certainly improve the Blue's chances.

INTRAMURAL HOCKEY

As of Tuesday February 18 here are the standings for intromural hockey:

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Ind. I	8	0	1
DKE	6	3	0
Chi Psi	4	3	1
DU	3	4	1
Teak	2	6	1

II

	W	L	T
AD	6	2	1
TDGS	6	2	1
Psi U	3	4	0
Ind. II	4	5	0
Fac.	0	10	0

Swimming

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the 1000-yd. event, with a second place finish. Strehlow should be an unexpected contender in the distance events at the State Meet.

Hamilton has to face Union away in their last dual meet of the season, this Saturday. On the way back from Schenectady MacDonald and his swimmers should be looking forward to the State Meet scheduled for St. Boneventure on the weekend of Feb. 29.

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Larries Steal Victory From Swimmers Red Raiders Too Hot to Handle

Last week could be termed the most tragic in Coach MacDonald's ten year career at Hamilton. Before the team left for St. Lawrence last Saturday MacDonald said "You certainly suffer swimming away from home," and Hamilton did, losing 67-46. Then Wednesday the Blue squad entertained Colgate in the Alumni Pool and were easily handled by the Red Raiders.

Hamilton was billed as the severest test of the young St. Lawrence team. The Larries have only been in the water for four years, and have a small roster listing no seniors. Coach Scott Woodburn rates Hamilton as the best small college swimming program in New York State. The win against Hamilton tops off St. Lawrence's unbeaten season record.

Coach MacDonald and his swimmers were in the position to worry about the Larries, especially considering the up and coming mismatch against Colgate. But the Conts couldn't do anything as St. Lawrence swam their best times of the season and won 10 of the 13 events.

Hamilton did shine at moments, however, setting two of their own school records, and one of the three records set in the Frank and Lee Augsbury Pool that day. Paul Edick was Hamilton's only double winner, taking both diving events while outclassing all the other competitors. Edick set a school record in the optional event.

Carlberg Fastest in Division III

Jeff Carlberg got a special welcome as Hamilton's National Champion and drew murmers from the crowd as he finished more than 15 seconds in front of his teammate Mark Walters. The breaststroke event was the only event swept by the Conts. Carlberg's swim set both the pool and school records, and lowered his time previously rated as the fastest in Division III competition for the country.

While Carlberg was busy setting records, St. Lawrence's Joe Hannah snuck in third place for the one point that clinched the meet for the Larries. Woodburn said he expected the meet to be 56-50 in favor of the Conts going into the last relay, and counted on his relay team of Jeff Cook, Scott Frame, Monty Bauer, and Tim Johnson for the winning seven points. Coach Woodburn seemed intent on proving that his squad could have taken the event and the meet. The Larrie's relay outmuscled the Hamilton relay team of Needham, Widman, Schrum. and Strehlow for a pool record.

No one seemed worried about the Colgate meet, as the Red Raiders brushed aside the Continentals easily, 67-45. Hamilton had no chance for the win with Colgate ranked as the best in the Upper New York State Swimming Association. Hamilton and Colgate managed to rearrange the Alumni Pool record board, erasing nine of the pool marks.

Colgate's Bob Collum set records in both distance events, and remained solidly the fastest distance swimmer going into the State Meet. Paul Edick came back from Canton ready to top his school record in the optional diving set only four days earlier. Edick also broke both of his own diving marks in the Alumni Pool.

Union Next

Jeff Carlberg, as usual, reset his 200-yd. breaststroke record, placing him well ahead of the rest of the field. Bucko Strehlow topped his own school record in

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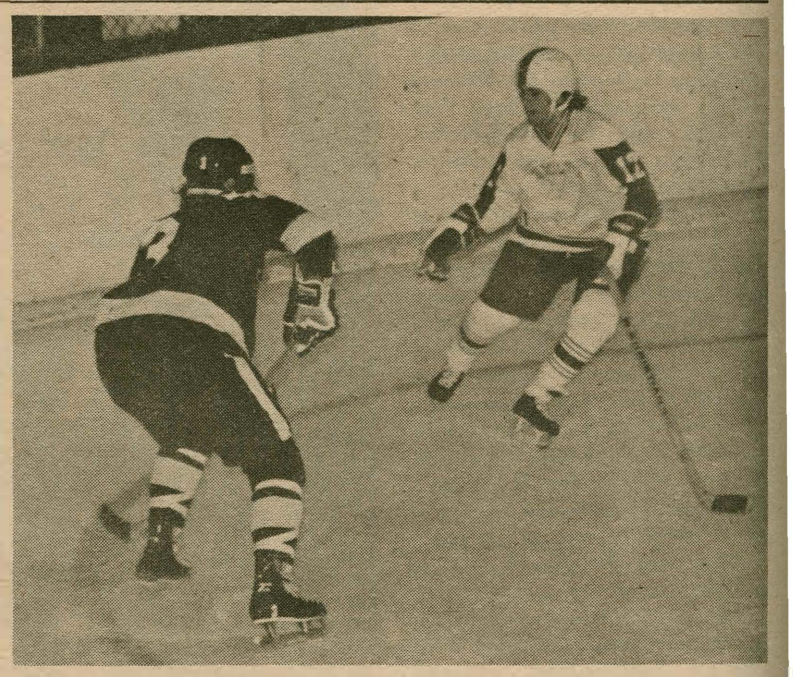

UConn Erased by Blue Gillmore Lost for Season

By STEVE HAWEELI

Hamilton's hockey team ended the busiest part of their schedule last Saturday night by defeating the University of Connecticut 8-5. The game was marked by poor refereeing as can attest Rick Anderson who received a game misconduct for fighting.

In truth Anderson played a passive role in the confrontation. Both players were digging for the puck in the corner when the UConn player began to pummel Anderson. Anderson did little to retaliate, but when the referee turned around and saw the fight, he passed quick judgement and sent both players off the ice. As a result Anderson will not be allowed to play in the next game against Williams because of the league rule prohibiting a participant in a fight to play in the next game.

Also lost for the Williams game is co-captain Dave Gillmore who tore ligaments in his right leg. For the past four years Gillmore has seen regular action, and has contributed more than his share to the strengthening of what is now a competitive varsity team.

The offensive contributors to Hamilton's winning effort were George Gillmore, Tom Griffith, and Dave Gillmore each scoring 2 goals apiece, and Phil Hildebrand who assisted on 5 goals to raise his scoring total to 40 points – the best on the club.

Saturday at 7:30 p.m. Williams engages the Continentals at the Sage for the last homegame of the year and the last home game for seniors Rick Aubry, Gib Hedstrom, John Hutchins, and Dave Gillmore, who unfortunately will have to watch from the bench.

Nobody Asked Me But...

National Pastime

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The Congress of the United States has joined forces with unemployment, the Arabs, William Simon and Gerald Ford to help the severely hurt economy—if it is still possible. They are about to make the wrong decision—no matter what they do—on the National Pastime , which is betting on baseball, and football, and basketball, and any other clean-cut sport where points are made, shaved, and spread.

Congress appointed a commission of men and lawyers to look into this "growing moral decay" (as television and Bowie Kuhn will tell us), and told them to spend as much money as they can by October, 1976 and report their findings to them. Congress will be a little more than shocked.

Congress will be told that not only will some 30 or so per cent of Americans be affected by any change in the gambling laws but, more importantly, the economy of the United States today, betting on baseball and other sports takes in billions of dollars a year. Such a huge amount is taken in that no one is really sure how huge it is. The money is handled by thousands of people who are waiting to see you invest your money in a 7½ point spread. That's many jobs. Those people are usually not part of the unemployed work force because their bosses do not usually pay them and they are not elibible for compensation. But the workers don't worry. It takes more than one Paul Screvane and one lousy state east of California to hurt their business. And if the government wants to join the fun, who's to worry? What kind of guy pays a cover charge to a place for taking his money when the guy across the street will do it for free?

The workers who are not afraid of losing their jobs like to spend money. Thousands of happy men with hundreds of happy bosses spending billions of dollars. Who says recession?

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But this is not even the important part. A fellow I know who is so good with figures that he got a job as teller in the third biggest bank in America, likes to spend his free time giving his money away. He has many friends. He also has many debts, this short, fat guy. He likes giving it away whenever there is a sporting event in America—sort of a celebration of great athletic feats. There is one catch—if he picks a certain team, horse, or athlete to win, and he is right, the men who like him a lot will give him a certain amount of money back. They like him very much. There are millions like him who follow different sports and use the telephone like Wall Street brokers to invest their money in numbers.

There are so many millions like him that they were catered to in a recent gubernatorial primary in New York State. If the government starts making them pay for their fun, they might not like it very much. But can the government have the moral destruction of millions of Americans—lining up at betting counters before work every morning—on its conscience? That's the dilemma.

They find thrills and other excitement in placing these investments and testing their skills. These are the people who go to sporting events and root for the home team when the point spread is in their favor. Lately, the crowd in Madison Square Garden has been upsetting the press because it has been booing the Knicks. They don't hate the Knicks. They are rooting for or against the point spread. It just so happens that the Knicks are making a lot of point spreads unnecessary lately.

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They like the thrill of victory and the agony of defeat as much as the next guy, but they like the thrill of playing with their money more. James Breslin, former sportswriter, once quoted a guy as to why he loved baseball so much: "One day I got the Mets with Stallard against the Braves. 2-1. I got a 3-2 lead with two out in the bottom of the ninth, and all the Braves got is a man on first and Lee Maye up. Well, I'm getting dressed to go out. I am going to break all over town. The radio says Stallard throws a pitch. It says Maye hits it eight miles. I take off my tie and for the next several weeks I am one of the missing dead. That's why the game is so great. One swing of the bat can wreck you whole life."

Hamilton Five Claim Two Victories Blue On the Road in Quest of Playoffs

By BOB McCORMICK

Do centers have more fun?

Based on the two hoop contests played at Alumni Gym this past week, one would have to answer affirmatively. Bernie Mucitelli helped the Hamilton five make short work of Utica College and Rochester U. by shooting a combined 13-18 (29 points) from his pivot position.

Damian Upson and Gordie Taylor, centers for Rochester and Utica respectively, had themselves a pretty fair time also. Upson notched 32 points Tuesday night, while Taylor, a freshman out of New York City, pumped in 34 last Saturday and grabbed 18 rebounds.

But the Continentals are exceptionally adroit at team play, and these stellar individual performances didn't faze them. Employing a balanced attack, the Blue nipped Utica, 85-75, then buried Rochester, 113-99.

Conts Win Two

Against Utica, an early Cont lead developed into a see-saw battle. Mark Badger finally broke the basket trading with a brilliant effort near the end of the half. He broke up a Utica fast break and went the length of the court to lay it in. The refs ruled that Badger had been fouled, so he went to the stripe and converted both ends of the one-and-one.

This four-point play sent the Blue into the locker room with a 41-36 half-time advantage. Incredibly, Gordie Taylor scored 25 of Utica's first-half points.

Taylor's pace slackened off somewhat in the second stanza, but the Conts couldn't pull away. With 8:39 remaining in the game, Mucitelli went out on fouls, and the Blue's six-point lead appeared in danger. Mark Rybarczyk came in to do a superb job, but fouled out with just over three minutes to go.

Luckily for Hamilton, Brian Coombes had shaken off the flu that has plagued him for the past two weeks and regained his shooting touch. Coombes dominated the final minutes of the game and insured the Blue triumph. He finished with 18 points and 10 rebounds.

Offensive Fireworks

The Rochester game produced one of the biggest displays of offensive fireworks seen in these parts in some time. Seven Hamilton players reached double figures, and the Blue shot 57.5% collectively from the floor.

In this game, the Conts were not overly concerned with defense. The 99 points recorded by the Yellowjackets marked the highest total scored against the

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